Rule Alternatives

Amount and Schedule of Mercury Reductions	Growth in Mercury Emissions
2006 – 25% **2010 – 90%** • With trading require 90% mercury reductions by 2008. • Reduction requirement applies to all utilities and government owned boilers with more than 10 pounds of mercury emissions in one year including chlor-alkali plants, medical waste incinerators, municipal waste incinerators and other significant sources. • Include a provision for the virtual elimination of mercury 20 years after rule promulgation.	**Offsets 1.5 : 1.0** Require mercury emission reductions equal to 150% of the annual mercury emission increase from any new source or modification of an existing source. Applies without a lower mercury emission threshold of 10 pounds.
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2007 – 10% **2012 – 40%** or **Multi-pollutant Reduction Program Alternative**	**Latest Available Control Technology** Instead of emission offsets establish a mercury control technology requirement for new sources and modifications of existing sources with

Addition of a compliance alternative that would allow a major utility the opportunity to propose a multi-pollutant reduction program instead of achieving the mercury reduction requirements in the rules. Mercury reductions would still need to be an element of the proposal, which would also require a commitment to provide other environmental benefits beyond existing laws and rules. The proposal would also need to include a schedule to accomplish the alternative program. The alternative program would be subject to a public hearing.	substantial mercury emissions.
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Voluntary Program	**Latest Available Control Technology with Determination of Environmental Benefits** Require mercury control technology based on a finding that resources benefit from the reductions that would be achieved.